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SUBJECT: JCCIA MEEETING OF JANUARY 16, 1975

REFS: A) VIENTIANE 0137

B) VIENTIANE 0269

1. SPOKESMEN FOR THE TWO SIDES OF THE JOINT CENTRAL COMMISSION TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENTS (JCCIA) GAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE AT NOON JANUARY 16 ON JCCIA MEETING HELD EARLIER IN THE DAY.

2. SPOKESMEN REPORTED THAT BOTH SIDES HAD SIGNED DOCUMENT ON PROCEDURES TO VERIFY WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS (REFTEL A, PARA 2) AND LETTER TO THE GOVERNMENT REGARDING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE REMOVAL FROM VIENTIANE OF FAR TROOPS WHO ARE NOT PER-

MITTED TO STAY UNDER THE AGREEMENTS (REFTEL A, PARA 3).  
LPF SPOKESMAN PHAO BOUNNAPHOL SPECIFIED THAT THESE WOULD  
INCLUDE: MILITARY SCHOOLS, THE AIR FORCE, THE RIVER  
FLOTILLA, ENGINEER TROOPS, SIGNAL CORPS TROOPS AND MILI-  
TARY POLICE.

3. ARYA PHIMMASONE (VIENTIANE SIDE) AND PHAO HAVE BEEN  
DESIGNATED TO HEAD A COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE MISSING-IN-  
ACTION PROBLEM. COMMENT: COL. LOUN SISOUNAL, VIENTIANE  
SIDE MEMBER OF THE JCCIA TOLD EMBOFF TODAY, JANUARY 16,  
THAT MATTER OF LPF MIA LIST WAS DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH  
IN MEETING WITH LPF SIDE SOMEWHAT APOLOGETICALLY EX-  
PLAINING THAT THEY HAD NOT YET HEARD FROM SAM NEUA.  
POSSIBLY AS A RESULT OF CONTINUED VIENTIANE SIDE PRESSURE  
LPF AGREED TO FORMATION OF A SEPARATE JCCIA COMMITTEE TO  
ADDRESS MIA MATTERS EXCLUSIVELY. VIENTIANE SIDE HARD  
LINE APPEARS TO BE RESULT OF AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT TO  
MINISTER OF DEFENSE SISOUK NA CHAMPASSAK REPORTED REFTEL  
B. END COMMENT.

4. PHAO REPORTED THAT A COLONEL MOULY OF THE LPF FORCES  
IN CHAMPASSAK PROVINCE SENT A TELEGRAM TO LPF HEAD-  
QUARTERS ON JANUARY 9, 1975, STATING THAT TWO CAUCASIANS  
HAD BEEN SEEN BY LPF AUTHORITIES AT BAN OU THOUM KHAO  
IN CHAMPASSAK, BUT THAT SINCE THEIR PAPERS WERE IN ORDER  
THEY HAD NOT BEEN DETAINED. PHAO, IN ANSWER TO A QUES-  
TION REGARDING THE NAMES OF THE TWO PERSONS, SAID NAMES  
HAD NOT BEEN TRANSMITTED, BUT ADDED THAT PERHAPS THESE  
WERE THE TWO MEN THE AUSTRALIAN AND AMERICAN EMBASSIES  
HAD BEEN INQUIRING ABOUT. (COMMENT: SINCE HALF THE  
LENGTH OF THE COUNTRY SEPARATES KHAM KEUT AND BAN OU  
THOUM KHAO AND WE HAVE HEARD ABOUT TWO FRENCHMEN DE-  
TAINED BRIEFLY AND THEN RELEASED IN CHAMPASSAK DURING  
THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY, IT SEEMS MOST UNLIKELY THAT  
COLONEL MOULY'S TELEGRAM REFERS TO DEAN AND SHARMAN.)

5. JCCIA MOBILE TEAMS ARE TO TRAVEL NEXT WEEK TO THE  
PHU SOUNG/NANAME AREA IN MILITARY REGION II (NEAR  
SALA PHO KHOUN) AND THE KHOUA SONG HONG/KOUAN PHAVANG  
AREA IN MILITARY REGION III (NEAR PAKADING) TO ESTABLISH  
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BOUNDARY STAKES. THESE WILL BE THE FIFTEENTH AND SIX-  
TEENTH SUCH STAKES.

6. THE JCCIA DISCUSSED SENDING A LETTER TO THE GOVERN-  
MENT REGARDING THE SITUATION IN THAKHEK BUT POSTPONED  
A DECISION ON THE MATTER WHILE AWAITING NEWS OF THE  
DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE CABINET AT ITS JANUARY 15 MEETING  
IN LUANG PRABANG.

7. THE JCCIA ASKED ITS COMMITTEE ON REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT  
TO DISCUSS WITH THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS  
THE PROVISION OF FOOD AND OTHER SUPPORT TO THE REFUGEES  
DURING THEIR TRANSFER.  
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